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1. References:

- a. Army Regulation 25-2, Information Assurance, dated 23 March 2009
- b. Army Wireless Security Standards Best Business Practice, Version 3.0, dated 2 January 2009
- 2. A cordless telephone is defined as a telephone unit that will generally only operate within a limited distance from its base station, usually 300-400 feet. A cordless telephone offers a somewhat mobile experience, but the base must still be plugged into a physical landline. The use of cordless telephones to communicate sensitive information is prohibited unless the device can be properly encrypted. Specific encryption requirements are found in references 1.a., and 1.b., above.
- 3. In order to ensure all personnel (e.g., active duty military, Reservists, National Guard, civilians, and contractors) are aware of telephone security requirements, organizations are to include this policy in their local Information Assurance awareness training programs. The expiration date for this policy is 30 December 2013. Changes will be codified in the next revision of AR 25-2 and the Army Wireless Security Standards Best Business Practice.
- 4. The point of contact for this action is Ms. Melissa Hicks, (703) 545-1604, DSN 865, melissa.c.hicks.civ@mail.mil or Mr. Zadil Ansari, (703) 545-4606, DSN 865, zadil.i.ansari.civ@mail.mil.

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